Secretary to the Legislative Council: The title of the Bill is "The Cochin Abkari Act (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I request the Hon'ble President be pleased to suspend S. O. 32.

Mr. President: Yes.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I move that the Bill may be taken into consideration.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I second it.

Motion put and carried

Clause 2 put and carried

Title and Preamble put and carried

Clause 1 put and carried

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I move that the Bill be taken up and finally passed day after tomorrow.

Mr. B. V. K. Menon *(Secretary to Government):* I second it.

Motion put and carried

The Cochin Opium Act (Amendment) Bill

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Covernment):* Sir, I beg to move that the Cochin Opium Act (Amendment) Bill be read in Council.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I second it.

Motion put and carried

Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is the Cochin Opium Act (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I beg to request that the Hon'ble President be pleased to suspend S. O. 32.

Mr. President: Yes.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I move that the Bill be taken up for consideration.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I second it.

Mr. President: The question before the House is that clause 2 of the Bill stands part of the Bill.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Sir, in sending up the amendment, the idea was to curtail the powers of confiscation of the deposit. But on mature thought I find that such power is necessary. Hence I do not move the amendment.

Clause 2 put and carried

Title and preamble put and carried

Clause 1 put and carried

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I beg to move that the Bill may be taken up and finally passed day after tomorrow.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I second it.

Motion put and carried

The Cochin Tobacco Act (Amendment) Bill

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Sir, I beg to move that the Cochin Tobacco Act (Amendment) Bill be read in Council.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I second it.

Motion put and carried

Secretary to the Legislative Council: The title of the Bill is the Cochin Tobacco Act (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I beg to move that the President be pleased to suspend S. O. 32.

Mr. President: Yes.

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APPENDIX I

THE COCHIN ABKARI ACT (AMENDMENT BILL)

Preamble.—Whereas it is expedient to further amend the Cochin Abkari Act, I of 1077; It is hereby enacted as follows.—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—This Act may be called the Cochin Abkari (Amendment) Act, of 11 and it shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment to section 29.*—In sub-section (2) of section 29 of the Cochin Abkari Act, I of 1077, after "clause (q)" the following clause shall be added;

"(r) for the forfeiture, notwithstanding provisions to the contrary contained in the Cochin Contract Act, XXIII of 1112, or in any other law, of the whole or any portion of the kists deposited by persons who purchase the right to sell toddy, arrack, foreign liquors or ganja, in addition to damages recoverable by Government on account of the breach of the conditions of sale laid down by the Diwan from time to time."

Statement of Objects and Reasons

There is no provision in the Cochin Abkari Act, I of 1077, authorising the forfeiture of the kists deposited by persons who have purchased the right to sell toddy, arrack, foreign liquors or ganja when they fail to carry out the terms of the contract or commit a breach of the conditions of sale. For the effective and efficient working of the system of sale by auction it is necessary to take power in this behalf. Hence the Bill.

APPENDIX II

THE COCHIN OPIUM ACT (AMENDMENT) BILL

Preamble.—Whereas it is expedient to further amend the Cochin Opium Act, VIII of 1076 It is hereby enacted as follows.—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—This Act may be called the Cochin Opium (Amendment) Act, of 11 and it shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment to section 6.*—In section 6 of the Cochin Opium Act, VIII of 1076.—

(a) the word "and" at the end of clause (c) shall be deleted;

(b) the word "and" shall be added at the end of clause (d); and

(c) after clause (d) and before the proviso the following clause shall be added.—

"(e) the forfeiture, notwithstanding provisions to the contrary contained in the Cochin Contract Act, XXIII of 1112, or in any other law, of the whole or any portion of the kists deposited by persons who purchase the right to sell opium, in addition to the damages recoverable by Government on account of the breach of the conditions of sale laid down by the Diwan from time to time."

Statement of Objects and Reasons

There is no provision in the Cochin Opium Act, VIII of 1076, authorising the forfeiture of the kists deposited by persons who have purchased the right to sell opium when they fail to carry out the terms of the contract or commit a breach of the conditions of sale. For the effective and efficient working of the system of sale by auction it is necessary to take power in this behalf. Hence the Bill.

APPENDIX III

THE COCHIN TOBACCO ACT (AMENDMENT) BILL

Preamble.—Whereas it is expedient to further amend the Cochin Tobacco Act, VII of 1084; It is hereby enacted as follows.—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—This Act may be called the Cochin Tobacco (Amendment) Act, of 11 and it shall come into force at once.

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